

State General Purpose Recipient Committees  
(Except Political Party Committees)  
**November 4, 2008 Election Filing Schedule**

<i>Filing Deadline</i>	<i>Type of Statement</i>	<i>Period Covered<sup>1/</sup></i>	<i>Method of Delivery<sup>2/</sup></i>
July 31, 2008	Semi-Annual	<sup>1/</sup> – 6/30/08	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail
Within 24 Hours	Independent Expenditure Report <sup>3/</sup>	8/6/08 – 11/4/08 (90-Day Election Cycle)	✧ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
October 6, 2008 <sup>4/</sup>	Pre-Election <sup>5/</sup>	7/1/08 – 9/30/08	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail
Within 48 Hours	Issue Advocacy Report <sup>6/</sup>	9/20/08 – 11/3/08	✧ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
October 23, 2008	Pre-Election <sup>5/</sup>	10/1/08 – 10/18/08	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail
Within 24 Hours	If You Make a Late Contribution <sup>7/</sup> or Independent Expenditure of \$1,000 or More	10/19/08 – 11/3/08	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ Guaranteed Overnight Service ✧ Fax
February 2, 2009 <sup>4/</sup>	Semi-Annual	10/19/08 – 12/31/08	✧ Personal Delivery ✧ First Class Mail

**State Ballot Measure Expenditures**

Within 10 Business Days	\$5,000 496/497 Report <sup>8/</sup>	<sup>1/</sup> - date of expenditure	✧ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
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**Footnotes:**

- <sup>1/</sup> **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- <sup>2/</sup> **Electronic Filers:** Committee must file electronically with the Secretary of State if, since January 1, 2000, they receive contributions or makes expenditures totaling \$50,000 or more. For more information, visit the Secretary of State's web site at [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov). Paper filings are also required, except as described in footnotes 3, 6, and 8.
- <sup>3/</sup> **90-Day Election Cycle Reports:** Electronic filers must file Form 496 if independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more are made during the 90-day election cycle to support or oppose a state candidate or a state ballot measure being voted on November 4. No paper

copies are required and no copies are required to be filed with other filing officers, including during the late reporting period.

- <sup>4/</sup> **Extended Deadlines:** Because the October 5 deadline falls on Sunday, and the January 31, 2009 filing deadline falls on Saturday, these filing deadlines are extended to October 6, 2008, and February 2, 2009, respectively.

- <sup>5/</sup> **Pre-Election/Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports:** File Form 450 or 460 on October 6 and October 23 if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made during the period covered by the statement.

Also file Form 465 if independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more are made to support or oppose a candidate or a ballot measure being voted on

November 4, 2008, during the corresponding periods. Refer to Q&A's for additional information.

- <sup>6/</sup> **Issue Advocacy Reports:** File Form E-530 if a payment or a promise of payment of \$50,000 or more is made for a communication that clearly identifies a state candidate being voted on November 4, but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate. No paper copy is required and no copies are required to be filed with other filing officers.
- <sup>7/</sup> **Late Contributions:** The term "late contribution" includes contributions of \$1,000 or more made to or received by a state or county central committee during the 16-day period prior to **any state election**. Paper copies of all late contribution reports (Form 497) are required, including late contribution reports that are also required to be filed electronically. (See footnote 2.)
- <sup>8/</sup> **State Ballot Measure Expenditures:** Electronic filers must file Form 496 or 497 each time they make contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. No paper copies are required and no copies are required to be filed with other filing officers. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more made within 90 days before a state election are required to be reported within 24 hours. (See footnote 3.)

**Additional Notes:**

- **Late Statements:** Except for deadlines that fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, filing deadlines may not be extended. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- All statements are public documents.
- **Paid Spokesperson:** File Form 511 within 10 days if an expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more is made to an individual to appear in an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure.

As of the date of this publication (10/07), the FPPC Campaign Disclosure Manual C (1995/1996) and the 2007 Campaign Manual Addendum contain the most recent information on campaign disclosure requirements for general purpose recipient committees. Be sure to check the FPPC web site ([www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)) for updated information.